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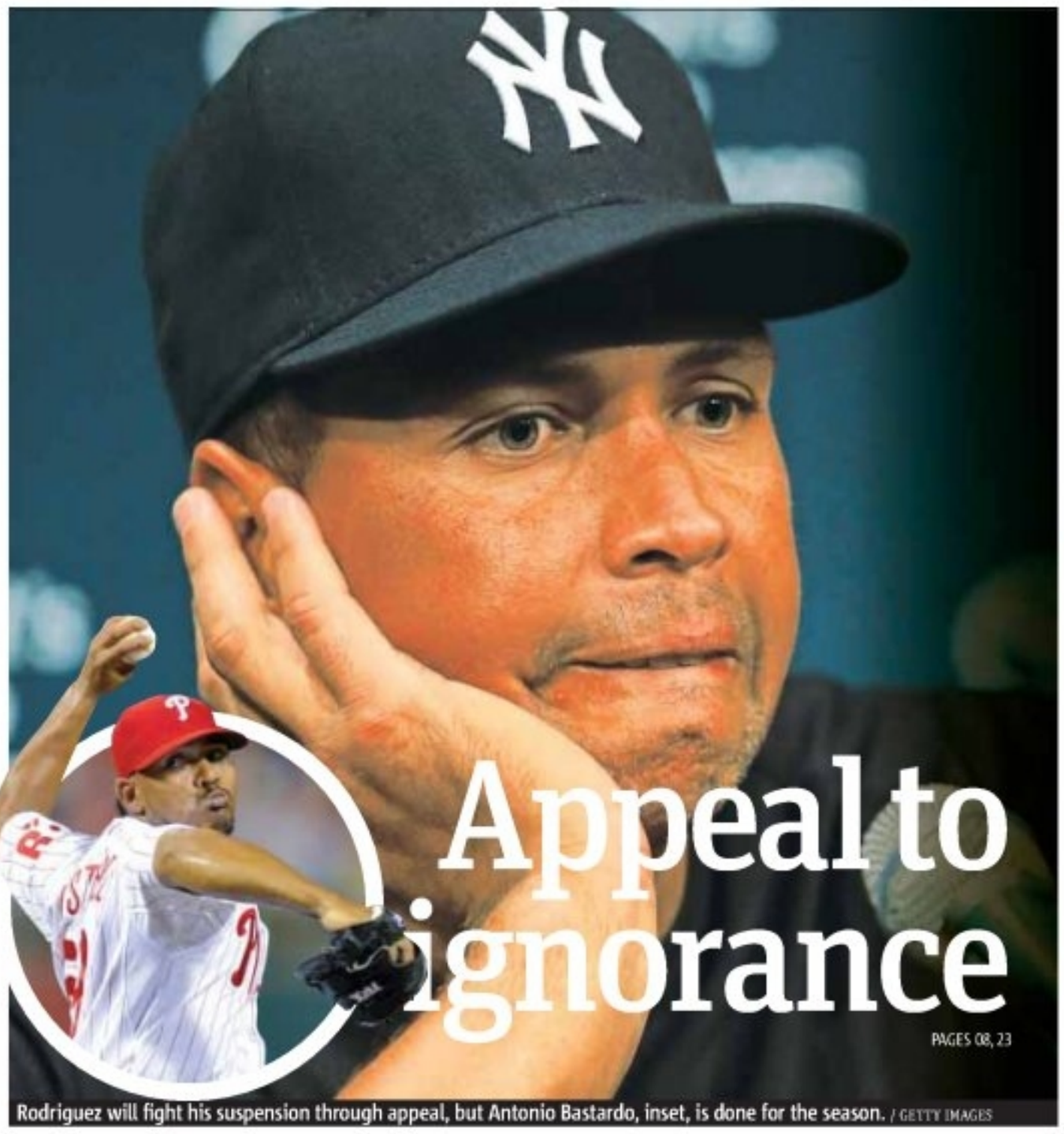

Appeal to ignorance

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Rodriguez will fight his suspension through appeal, but Antonio Bastardo, inset, is done for the season. / GETTY IMAGES

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Court overturns school 'boobies' bracelet ban

Lifted. A federal appeals court ruled local students can sport bracelets raising awareness of breast cancer.

In what the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania is calling a "groundbreaking decision," the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit yesterday upheld an injunction preventing the Easton Area School District from enforcing a ban on breast cancer awareness bracelets that read, "I (heart) boobies! (KEEP A BREAST)."

The decision marks the first time a federal appeals court has ruled student commentary on political or social issues is protected by the First Amendment, even if that speech contains language that some could consider lewd.

"What is groundbreaking [about the ruling] is the court said, 'That is exactly the speech we want to protect, and we're gong to really say explicitly that, unless it is speech that interferes with the school mission in some other way, that is speech that you don't censor just because somebody could misinterpret it as lewd,'" said ACLU attorney Mary Catherine Roper, who argued the case before the appeals court in February.

She said it's an important development for teens who wish to talk freely about social and political issues in their own language.

"This is a big boost for students who want to talk about important issues and want to talk about those issues in a way that reaches their fellow students," Roper said. "The school district's view was that these girls should have quote-unquote 'worn pink' or just said 'breast cancer awareness,' and what these girls were trying to do was instead raise awareness about an issue in the language that they speak. Twelve year-old girls don't go around talking about their breasts — they talk about their boobies."

Case history

A suit was filed in 2010 on behalf of Easton students Kayla Martinez and Brianna Hawk, who were suspended for wearing the bracelets on the school's Breast Cancer Awareness Day.

- An April injunction prevented the school from enforcing the ban after finding it violated First Amendment rights. The school appealed, arguing the slogan could be seen as "lewd."

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Jammin' on the djembe in Rittenhouse Square

David Buckery plays the djembe at Rittenhouse Square on Monday afternoon. Buckery, who has been playing the instrument for 15 years, entertained the park crowd during lunchtime. / PAIGE OZAROSKI, METRO

Dognapped

Pit bulls stolen in home invasion

Two pit bull puppies were stolen from a Southwest Philadelphia home yesterday during a home invasion on the 6900 block of Linmore Avenue.

The victim, 41, said he heard a knock at the door and when he opened it, he was knocked to the ground by two men armed with handguns. One of the men allegedly pistol-whipped the victim.

The suspects fled the victim's home with $500 and two puppies, according to police. METRO

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Local tweet

"3 movies about African Americans and all Americans – 'The Butler', 'Fruitvale' and '42' – for those who care about race relations in the US."

Mayor Michael Nutter, @Michael_Nutter, on contemporary cinema

Alert

Man sought in attempted sex assault

Police yesterday released a composite sketch of a man suspected of attempting to carjack and sexually assault a woman on Aug. 1 in East Germantown.

Police said the victim, 31, was shortly before 8 p.m. driving on the 1900 block of Conlyn Street when an unknown man entered on the passenger's side, threatened her with a handgun and ordered her to drive away. The man allegedly told the victim he intended to sexually assault her while pulling at her clothing.

She was able to flee the car at Chew Avenue and Washington Lane. METRO

A composite sketch of the suspect / PHILA. PD

Homicide. Man shot and killed in North Philly school yard

A man was shot and killed Sunday night on the property of Pratt Elementary in North Philadelphia.

Police shortly before 9:40 p.m. found the body of 29-year-old Tyrone Ronald Sturgis near 21st and Dauphin streets. He had been shot multiple times in the chest, back and abdomen.

Police said Sturgis was shot in the school yard of Pratt Elementary but ran to a property about three blocks away and collapsed on the steps. ALEX WIGGLESWORTH

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Former airman accused of raping boy, 4

Arrest. Police said an airman formerly stationed in Dover raped his 4-year-old stepson in 2007.

Delaware State Police on Thursday arrested an airman formerly stationed at Dover Air Force Base for allegedly raping his 4-year-old stepson six years ago.

Authorities said the investigation touched off July 26 after the child, now 10, told his biological father he had been raped over the course of a year by his stepfather Jesus Munoz, beginning in February 2007.

Munoz / DELAWARE STATE POLICE

The young victim told authorities at the Children's Advocacy Center in Dover the abuse would occur on weekends when his mother was working and he was home alone with Munoz.

Agents with the Air Force Office of Special Investigations on July 26 turned Munoz over to the Brevard County Sheriff's Office in Florida, where he was stationed at the Patrick Air Force Base.

Munoz was on Thursday extradited by the Delaware Department of Justice State Detectives and arrested. He was jailed on $173,000 cash bond after being charged with 52 counts of first-degree unlawful sexual contact, two counts of first-degree rape and one count each of continuous sexual abuse of a child and of second-degree assault. Police said they will only be releasing limited information regarding the alleged crimes due to the sensitivity of the case and out of consideration for the juvenile victim.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
PHILADELPHIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) is a participant in the Moving to Work Demonstration Program (MTW). PHA was initially selected to participate in the MTW Program in 2001. In October 2008, PHA entered into an Amended and Restated Moving to Work Agreement ("MTW Agreement") with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), which has subsequently been further amended.

The MTW Agreement defines the terms and conditions under which PHA is a participant in the MTW Program. The MTW Agreement requires that PHA submit an MTW Annual Plan for HUD review and approval. PHA's current MTW Annual Plan for MTW Year Thirteen (PHA Fiscal Year 2014) was approved by HUD on May 30, 2013.

PHA is seeking public review and comments on two proposed actions relative to the MTW Program:

- **Amendment to the MTW Agreement** – The proposed amendment to the MTW Agreement will provide PHA with additional flexibility in utilizing Replacement Housing Factor funds received by PHA from HUD.
- **Amendment to the MTW Year Thirteen Annual Plan** – The proposed amendment to the MTW Annual Plan will: 1) Establish that PHA may apply to convert one or more public housing sites under the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program and that PHA may utilize MTW Block Grant funds to support the conversion; and, 2) Allow PHA to establish a flexible subsidy program for newly developed or acquiredpublic housing units, subject to HUD review and approval of each transaction.

Additional information regarding the proposed amendments is available from PHA. Copies are available for public review on PHA's website at: www.pha.phila.gov under the "Latest News" section or may be picked up at the following locations:

Housing Choice Voucher Program Office: 2850 Germantown Ave 1st & 2nd Floor

Scattered Sites Management Offices: 3417 Spring Garden Street, 1821 Vineyard St. 3226 McMichael St., 3218 Susquehanna Avenue, 400 W. Huntingdon St.

Public Housing Management Offices: **Bartram** - 5404 Gibson Drive, **Wilson Park** - 2500 Jackson St. **Raymond Rosen** – 2110 N. 23rd St., **Blumberg** - 2311 W. Jefferson St.

PHA residents, Housing Choice Voucher participants and the general public may attend and provide comments at the Public Hearing described below and/or submit written comments on these proposed actions any time during the comment period. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the following time and location: **August 27, 2013 10 a.m. until noon, 1100 Poplar Street Philadelphia, PA19123, Multipurpose Room.**

Only comments pertaining to the proposed actions noted above are being solicited. The comment period begins on August 6, 2013 at 12 noon and ends September 5, 2013 at 12 noon. All comments must be received by the end of the comment period. Please send your written comments to: **Philadelphia Housing Authority, Office of Policy, Research and Enterprise Planning, Attention: MTW Comment, 1606 Swain St., Philadelphia, PA 19130.**

The Public Hearing is being held in an accessible location. If you require assistance, sign language interpreter or other accommodations, please call 215-684-4000. Please use the AT&T Relay Service for TTY.

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Investigation

Body found in river

State police were investigating the grisly discovery yesterday morning of a woman's body in the Delaware River near Delaware City.

Investigators said a crabber around 6:30 a.m. found the body of a white female in the river south of Pea Patch Island and called police.

Authorities turned the corpse over to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, which will perform an autopsy. METRO

Sugar high

Phillies' Hamels to get gum line

Phillies ace Cole Hamels will unveil his own line of Big League Chew today. Hamels' face will be the second ever to grace the pouch of the popular shredded bubble gum treat. Matt Kemp of the Dodgers unveiled his own line of Big League Chew called True Blue Original.

Proceeds from Hamels' line, dubbed Phantastic Original, will benefit the Hamels Foundation. METRO

Keeping an eye out

A well-behaved dog enjoys the park as his human friend takes a reading break on a park bench at Rittenhouse Square yesterday. / PAIGE OZAROSKI, METRO

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Gorillas at Philly zoo are mating, will start family

Jabari and Kira. The two were introduced last month in the hopes to produce offspring.

A love connection

Mating is done to keep the population up and to educate about the gorillas' wild counterparts.

- When Kira gets pregnant, her gestation period will be about eight-and-a-half months.
- When ready to mate, Kira emits a strong odor and will even present her back side to Jabari.

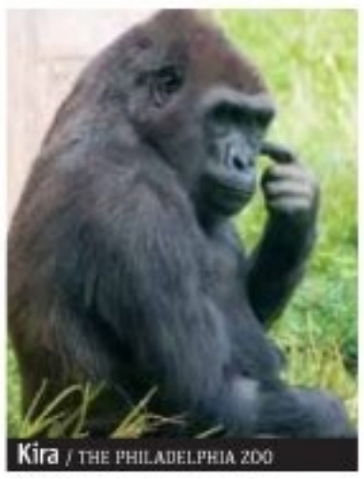
It's been about a month since Kira and Jabari, two gorillas at the Philadelphia Zoo, were introduced with the intention to breed. And things are going more smoothly than zoo officials could have imagined.

"We were very pleasantly surprised," said Kristen Farley-Rambo, gorilla keeper at the zoo. "There has been no aggression, no fighting. They were all very interested."

Kira is a newcomer to Philly, having been transported here in June from Boston's Franklin Park Zoo to mate with Jabari.

When Kira first came, she was kept away from the other gorillas, taught the lay of the land and introduced to her new group with mesh curtains perfect for scent and sight. She adjusted so well, she assimilated the next day.

"They have several bedrooms," said Meredith Bastian, curator of primates and small mammals, "and they would often be in the same one."


Kira / THE PHILADELPHIA ZOO

Farley-Rambo started training with Kira — asking her to present different body parts and giving her back scratches. The interaction is for medical reasons and to form relationships with the trainers.

Kira has been living with the other gorillas since the beginning of July and was taken off contraceptives two weeks later.

There's "promising behavior."

The two have already started breeding. Farley-Rambo said Kira is "very interested" in Jabari. The two gorillas are a good match, genetically, both zoo officials said.

There's a chance Kira could be pregnant already; she'll get a pregnancy test in a couple of weeks. If she is, Kira will work closely with the veterinarians. She's already shown signs of being a good mother.

"She never had kids of her own but she did play a very large role with her siblings," Farley-Rambo said. "So we're really excited that she's set up for being a first-time mom."

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Secret stories at the Pop-Up Garden

Jessica Fidler leaves a secret note inside an artwork piece by Amy Brand during the "Fairytale: The game of magic, storytelling, alter-egos, archetypes, and golden coins," event yesterday at the PHS Pop-Up Garden on South Broad Street. / PAIGE OZAROSKI, METRO

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Who Gets Free TV: Listed below are the Philadelphia area zip codes that can get Free over the air TV channels. If you find the first two digits of your zip code immediately call: **1-888-752-7147**

PENNSYLVANIA - Today's announcement by CompTek has the Free TV Hotlines ringing off the hook.

That's because Philadelphia area residents who find their zip code listed in today's publication are getting Free TV channels thanks to an amazing razor-thin invention called Clear-Cast®.

Philadelphia area residents who call the Toll Free Hotlines before the 48-hour order deadline to get Clear-Cast can pull in Free TV channels with crystal clear digital picture and no monthly bills.

This announcement is being so widely advertised because a U.S. Federal law makes TV broadcasters transmit their signals in digital format, which allows everyone to receive these over-the-air digital signals for free with no monthly bills.

Here's how it works. Clear-Cast, the sleek micro antenna device with advanced technology links up directly to pull in the Free TV signals being broadcast in your area with crystal clear digital picture and no monthly bills.

Clear-Cast was invented by a renowned NASA Space Technology Hall of Fame scientist who currently holds 23 U.S. Gov't issued patents. For the past 20 years, he has specialized in developing antenna systems for NASA, Motorola, XM Satellite Radio and companies around the world.

His latest patent-pending invention, Clear-Cast, is a sleek micro antenna device engineered to pull in the Free TV signals through advanced technology with no cable, satellite or internet connection and no monthly bills.

"Clear-Cast is being released to the general public because we just don't think people should keep paying for TV when they can get it for free," said Conrad Miller, Manager of Operations at CompTek.

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"That's why Clear-Cast is such a great alternative for everyone who is sick and tired of paying expensive cable and satellite bills every month," he said.

"People who get Clear-Cast will say it feels like getting an extra paycheck every month. You see, with Clear-Cast you'll receive free over-the-air broadcast channels with crystal clear digital picture, not the cable or satellite only channels. So being able to eliminate those channels puts all the money you were spending back in your pocket every month," Miller said.

And here's the best part. The sleek micro antenna device called Clear-Cast is so technically advanced it pulls in even more of the channels being broadcast in your area for Free with no monthly bills.

That way you can channel surf through the favorite TV shows. The number of shows and channels you'll get depends on where you live. People living in large metropolitan areas may get up to 53 static-free channels, while people in outlying areas will get less. That means even if you're in a rural area that just pulls in NBC, ABC, CBS, FOX and PBS broadcasts there's hundreds of shows each year to watch for free.

Consumers report that the crystal clear picture quality with Clear-Cast is the best they've ever seen. That's because you get virtually all pure uncompressed signals direct from the broadcasters for free.

Clear-Cast was engineered to link up directly like a huge outdoor directional antenna but in a lightweight, slim-line package. Its sturdy copper alloy and polymer construction will most likely far outlast your TV.

It just couldn't be any easier to get Free over-the-air digital TV shows with Clear-Cast. Simply plug it into your TV, place Clear-Cast on a window pane and run autoscan. It works on virtually any model TV and is easily hidden out of sight behind a curtain or window treatment.

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So, Philadelphia area residents lucky enough to find their zip code listed in today's publication need to immediately call the Free TV Hotline before the 48-hour deadline to get Clear-Cast that pulls in Free TV with crystal clear digital picture. If lines are busy keep trying, all calls will be answered. ■

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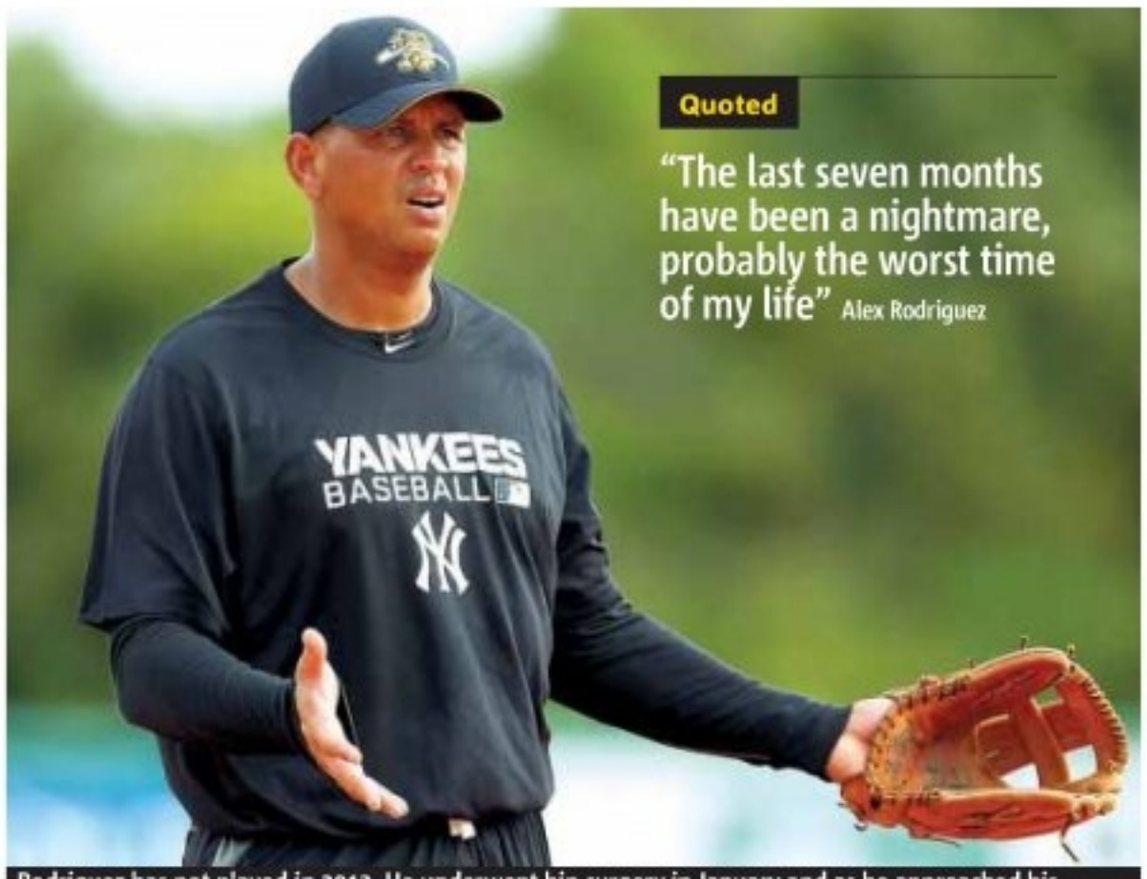

Rodriguez has not played in 2013. He underwent hip surgery in January and as he approached his return date in July he strained his quad. / GETTY IMAGES

A-Rod suspended through 2014, others accept deals

Punishment. The suspension will become effective on August 8.

For as outsized a media production as Alex Rodriguez's suspension became, the MLB delivered the official news in understated fashion with a simple press release yesterday afternoon.

Rodriguez has been suspended through the end of the 2014 season.

MLB released the following statement:

"Rodriguez's discipline under the Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program is based on his use and possession of numerous forms of prohibited performance-enhancing substances, including Testosterone and human Growth Hormone, over the course of multiple years."

The suspension, which will become effective on Thursday, Aug. 8, will cover 211 regular season games and any 2013 postseason games in which Rodriguez otherwise would have been eligible to play.

The road to suspension began in January with a report by the Miami New Times that looked into a clinic called Biogenesis run by Anthony Bosch. The report detailed a pattern of providing big-name athletes, including Rodriguez and the now-suspended Ryan Braun, with performance-enhancing drugs. MLB began an investigation soon thereafter, which culminated in yesterday's suspensions.

Suspended

211

Alex Rodriguez was suspended 211 games by MLB.

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$250 million

Amazon founder Jeff Bezos to buy Washington Post

The Washington Post Co. has agreed to sell its newspaper assets, including its flagship daily, to Amazon Inc. founder Jeff Bezos for $250 million.

The move comes as newspapers face unprecedented challenges with declines in advertising revenue and readership.

Washington Post Chairman and Chief Executive Donald E. Graham, whose family owns the paper, said it would be better served with another owner.

"I, along with Katharine Weymouth and our board of directors, decided to sell only after years of familiar newspaper-industry challenges made us wonder if there might be another owner who would be better for the Post," Graham said.

"Jeff Bezos' proven technology and business genius, his long-term approach and his personal decency make him a uniquely good new owner for the Post."

The transaction covers The Washington Post and other publishing businesses, including the Express newspaper, The Gazette Newspapers, Southern Maryland Newspapers, Fairfax County Times, El Tiempo Latino and Greater Washington Publishing. REUTERS

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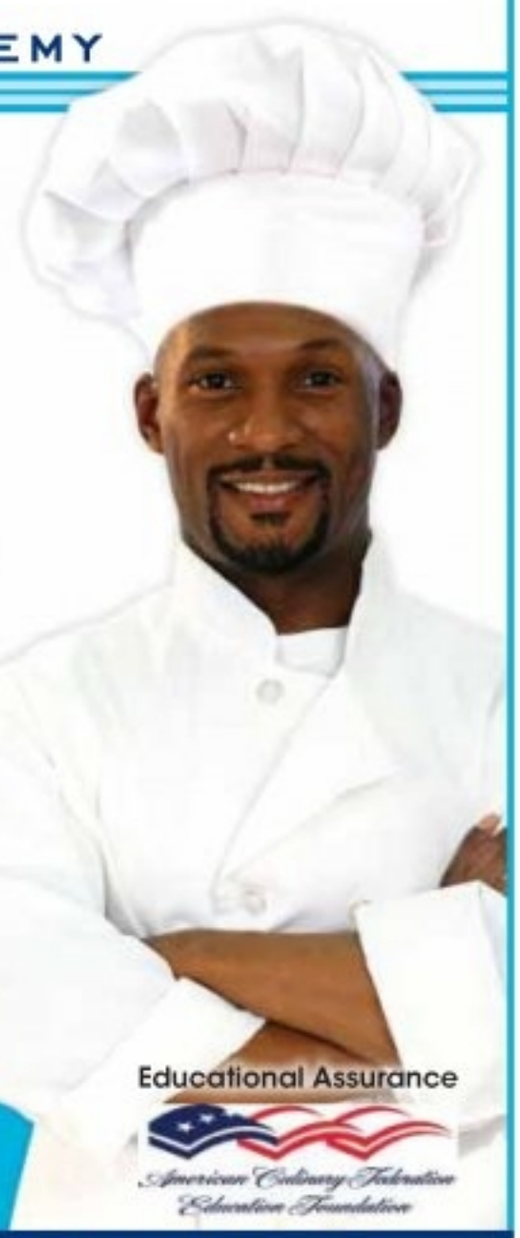

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The folks behind food

Yum. Is there really rocket fuel in Twinkies? Professor Richard W. Hartel knows the science behind every bite.

Combining chemistry, engineering and physics, food science is a growing field of study, according to professor Richard Hartel. / GETTY IMAGES

In his more than 30 years as a professor of food science, Richard W. Hartel has never seen a more idealistic group of undergraduates than the current crop at the University of Wisconsin. Few bachelor's degrees can offer the job opportunities of food science. But will high-minded ideals hold back the next wave of newcomers?

What kind of jobs are your students typically aiming for?
Product development — coming up with new products that appear on grocery store shelves.

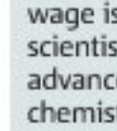
There are hundreds, if not thousands, of products that get released every year by the major companies that are developed by food scientists.

Why are those jobs so coveted?
People feel a real personal fulfillment when they go to the grocery store and see their products on the shelves. Plus, it tends to be the highest-paid salary for people with degrees in food science.

There seems to be some cultural backlash against your industry at the moment.
There's a big portion of the population that believes the food industry has led to unhealthy eating. In some respects, I agree. The industry has certainly gone overboard in some instances. People do interesting things when there's money to be made.

How has this affected your students?
I'm noticing something unique — new to my 25 years in academia. Students are coming in that not only want to do food science, they want to change the way people eat. They want to change the way companies make foods. If they have a strict view on foods, that might limit where they can work. But I would never say don't do it. I think it's a great change.

Is there really rocket fuel in a Twinkie, or is that an urban legend?
Now that's sensationalist journalism! [Laughs] There's a compound called methylcellulose that controls water in the cream filling. It's also used as a thickener in rocket fuel, but, no, it's not rocket fuel.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Stats

Numbers game

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 13,360 people are employed as food scientists in the U.S. The mean annual wage is $64,140. Food scientists must have an advanced knowledge of chemistry, engineering and physics.

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Accident. US military helicopter crashes in Japan's Okinawa

A U.S. military helicopter crashed on Japan's southern island of Okinawa yesterday, U.S. Forces in Japan said, an incident which may stoke anger over the concentration of U.S. military bases on the island.

The Japanese defense minister said three of the four people onboard were confirmed to have survived the crash, but the U.S. Air Force said in a news release that the condition of at least four people onboard was unknown.

There were no casualties among local residents, a Japanese official said.

Video footage showed smoke rising from a fire on a remote mountainside.

The air force said an HH-60 helicopter, based in Kadena airbase in Okinawa, crashed in a training area on the U.S. Marines' Camp Hansen and U.S. fire and rescue crews were responding, adding that the helicopter was conducting a training mission at the time. REUTERS

An U.S. military helicopter went on a fire-fighting operation yesterday after a U.S. military helicopter crashed in Camp Hansen in the Ginoza village of Okinawa. / GETTY IMAGES

Unit covers up program used to investigate US criminals

DEA. The special unit was created in 1994 to combat Latin American drug cartels.

The unit of the DEA that distributes the information is called the Special Operations Division, or SOD. / GETTY IMAGES

A secretive U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration unit is funneling information from intelligence intercepts, wiretaps, informants and a massive database of telephone records to authorities across the nation to help them launch criminal investigations of Americans.

Although these cases rarely involve national security issues, documents reviewed by Reuters show that law enforcement agents have been directed to conceal how such investigations truly begin — not only from defense lawyers but also sometimes from prosecutors and judges.

The undated documents show that federal agents are trained to "recreate" the investigative trail to effectively cover up where the information originated, a practice that some experts say violates a defendant's Constitutional right to a fair trial. If defendants don't know how an investigation began, they cannot know to ask to review potential sources of exculpatory evidence — information that could reveal entrapment, mistakes or biased witnesses.

"I have never heard of anything like this at all," said Nancy Gertner, a Harvard Law School professor who served as a federal judge from 1994 to 2011. Gertner and other legal experts said the program sounds more troubling than recent disclosures that the National Security Agency has been collecting domestic phone records. The NSA effort is geared toward stopping terrorists; the DEA program targets common criminals, primarily drug dealers. REUTERS

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"It is one thing to create special rules for national security. ... Ordinary crime is entirely different. It sounds like they are phonying up investigations." Gertner

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Talking points

SIMON COWELL

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Cowell's 'harem' warned him

Apparently, Simon Cowell got plenty of warning from his "harem" of ex-girlfriends to watch out for Lauren Silverman, the married woman now said to be pregnant with his child, as they "were concerned about her motives and intentions," according to Radar Online. "Simon was warned — on multiple occasions — that he needed to be careful," says a source.

Swift will continue her ways

Fair warning to potential suitors: Taylor Swift will keep combining business and pleasure, according to Rolling Stone. "I am getting to a point where the only love worth being in is the love worth singing about," Swift says. "When you experience something that's worth writing a song about, chances are it's the same kind of intense feeling that someone else has felt and it has led them to be sitting on a bedroom floor crying."

A fine flock of men for 'The Butler'

Cuba Gooding Jr., Lenny Kravitz and Jesse Williams posed for a group hug at the press conference for "The Butler," directed by Lee Daniels, at the Waldorf Astoria on Monday. You know who else was there? Oprah. Stedman better watch it. / GETTY IMAGES FOR LEE DANIELS' "THE BUTLER"

Lohan takes a jab at Kristen Stewart

Welp, it took 10 years, but I finally love Lindsay Lohan.

The actress made her first appearance as a guest host for "Chelsea Lately" and decided to kick things off by mocking "Twilight" star Kristen Stewart. "I'm just excited that Kristen Stewart, you know, finally showed some emotion," Lohan offered while discussing a photo in which Stewart is seen yelling at a photographer. "Of course she hates photographers. They got a picture of her kissing a married man in a Mini Cooper."

It looks like she's off the drugs, but hard on the sarcasm. Let's keep it up, LiLo.

LINDSAY LOHAN

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THE WORD

Dorothy Robinson takes on the world of gossip.

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Leathers does self-love porn

Sydney Leathers, the e-mistress of former congressman and New York mayoral hopeful Anthony Weiner, is releasing a masturbation porn video (because of course she is).

Leathers filmed the porno at Vivid in Los Angeles in the last few days, according to TMZ. The site reports that in the video, Leathers "strikes a bunch of stereotypical porn poses and away she goes ... strumming the old banjo."

And now the song "I've Been Working on the Railroad" is completely ruined for me for life.

Who will be the next Batman?

Now that Christian Bale has taken his last, Darth Vader-esque breath as Batman, who is going to fill those neoprene boots for the next installation? The Hollywood Reporter says two Bruce Waynes may be cast — one who is older and more cynical (they are eyeing Josh Brolin) as well as a younger Batman, with Ryan Gosling, Joe Manganiello and Matthew Goode in the casting mix.

2 CULTURE

Twitter feed

We check in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Jim Carrey is just trying to relax and Anna Kendrick is not adjusting to the time difference.

@JimCarrey: Here's what they left out of The Secret. You can manifest anything in the world but first you have to convince yourself you deserve it.

@AnnaKendrick47: Now, my problem w being awake at 3:30am is less that it's 6 hours before work and more that it's 4 hours before they serve any food #jetlag

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Meet Kathryn Hahn, the class clown

Kathryn Hahn, who steals "We're the Millers," is poised for even greener pastures. / GETTY IMAGES

Future star. The actress talks about making the move from drama to comedy.

On prepping for her character: "For some reason I decided she had to have cumbersome, maternal boobs. So I put on fake big boobs. I grew up in Ohio. I have a very soft spot for this type of woman — open, food always out, always up for a family weekend away at a campground. I just know this woman and love her so much."

On working with a lot of the same people over and over again (Nick Offerman and Will Ferrell, each twice; Jennifer Aniston, thrice; Paul Rudd, four times): "You want to work with people you dig, but also people you not only respect but would feel safe with. You have to feel comfortable with grabbing each other's boobs, for example [as she does to Aniston in "Millers"]."

On being a dramatic actress who never thought of herself as a comic actress: "I was always the class clown. I've never been cast as the ingenue. It was always as the grandma. I should have known that somewhere in there, comedy was in my cards. I've been able to go back and forth, which is my favorite thing about my job. I would never deem myself an improv comedian or a stand-up. I'm still waiting for them to go, 'What are you doing here?'"

On entering the world of comedy: "They all make it incredibly easy. More than anything they're the most decent human beings. They're not on all the time. It's not exhausting. When I first met Will Ferrell, I was so nervous, even more so than if I had been meeting the president. I didn't think I could open my mouth because I would never say anything funny ever again. But they just allow freedom in that environment. You can't make a wrong move. There are no mistakes."

On Peter Bogdanovich: "He has that gorgeous cravat on at all times. If it's hot, he'll dip it in ice water."

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Who is Kathryn Hahn?

- Known for: Throwing herself on an asexual John C. Reilly in "Step Brothers;" playing Paul Rudd's fearless campaign manager on "Parks and Recreation."
- Now: Stealing "We're the Millers" as an overly gregarious and perky suburban mom.
- Soon: A lead role in "Afternoon Delight;" key roles in Ben Stiller's "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty," Peter Bogdanovich's "Squirrel to the Nuts" (shooting now) and the just-greenlit Showtime show "Trending Down" with Philip Seymour Hoffman.

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"I was always the class clown. I've never been cast as the ingenue. ... I've been able to go back and forth, which is my favorite thing about my job." Hahn

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GAME SHOW

'Funny or Die's Billy on the Street'

"Drunk History" isn't the only TV gem that Funny or Die has brought us. The comedy site's trivia game show features comedian Billy Eichner polling (accosting) random passersby on the street with weird questions. Tonight's the season finale, and it will likely feature weirder questions than usual.

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Kristin Wiig as Patty Hearst is probably pretty great.
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REALITY

'The Vineyard'

Wow, this show is still on? The "scripted reality" show that we were sure would be canned within seconds of its premiere episode just keeps plugging along — proof that people (us included) will watch just about anything. Tonight, this one girl is into this one guy but he's still infatuated with this other girl. Trust us, their names are inconsequential.

10 P.M., ABCFAM

COMEDY

'Drunk History'

Speaking of "Drunk History," tonight's episode features the inimitable Kristen Wiig as kidnapped heiress Patty Hearst. We're thinking this is going to be a good one.

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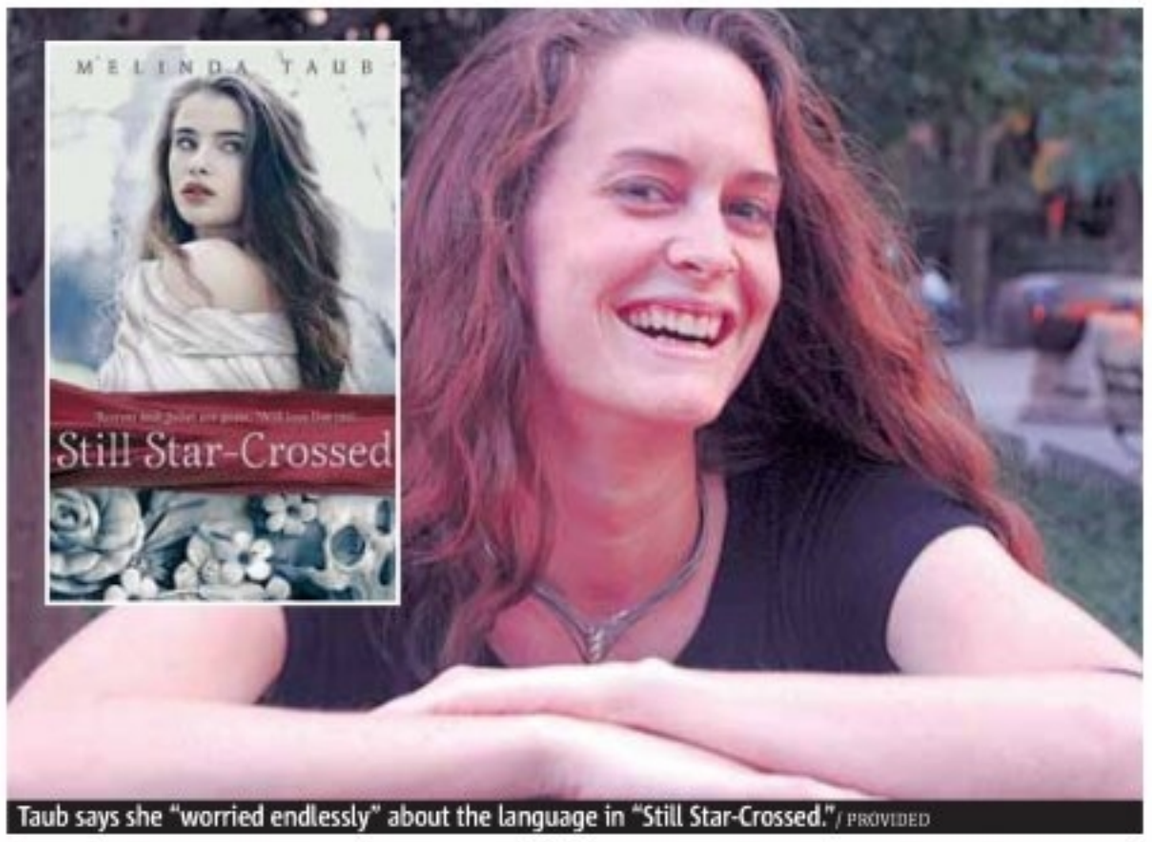
Where 'Romeo and Juliet' ended

What's in a name?
"Still Star-Crossed" is a sequel of sorts of Shakespeare's classic play.

Author Melinda Taub refers to her young adult book, "Still Star-Crossed," as a mash-up of "adventure and romance" that chronicles the story of the characters who survive "Romeo and Juliet" as they fight to stop the deadly feud from reigniting. As you can tell, this isn't the Shakespeare you remember from high school. "Still Star-Crossed" contains "sword fights, masked assassins, betrayal, a ball, cross-dressing, iambic pentameter, kissing and horses," as Taub puts it. She had us at cross-dressing.

What is it about the story of "Romeo and Juliet" that made you think to create a sequel of sorts?
I really love the world of "Romeo and Juliet." It's essentially a romantic comedy for the first half — it's full of dancing and kisses and sex jokes, before a series of coincidences and bad choices turn it toward tragedy. It gives you the feeling that the cycle will continue when the play's done, just like it does in real life. Characters like Mercutio and the nurse feel like they've wandered in from other, equally interesting plays. There are more stories to be told about Verona.

How much research did you do to write "Still Star-Crossed"?
I didn't do as much research as you might think. I tried mostly to use words in the dialogue that Shakespeare would use, so I kept a copy of his complete works handy and searched through it every 30 seconds or so. However, I wanted to really capture the feel of Shakespeare's style or at least honor it, and Shakespeare flew by the seat of his pants a lot of the time. If he needed a word that didn't exist, he made it up. He played pretty fast and loose with history and geography, too. So I thought it was only right that I did the same.



Taub says she "worried endlessly" about the language in "Still Star-Crossed." / PROVIDED

What were some of the biggest liberties you took in writing this?
I took small liberties all over the place. Shakespeare is a bold storyteller who liked to include a little of everything awesome, so I tried to do the same. I'd rather include a word he wouldn't have used, but would have liked, than fret too much about historical accuracy.

On language

Were you ever worried that writing it in Shakespearean English might throw readers off?
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Jet-setting around town and living out of a suitcase may seem glamorous, but it gets old fast. There's something special about crossing the threshold of a house — the kind of house you don't usually live in — and making it "home" for a few days. Robert Milne, president of Wyndham Vacation Rentals North America — a company specializing in luxury house rentals — gave us some tips about making yourself at home while you're on vacation.

What kind of folks usually go for rental houses?
Typically, our demographic, as you can probably imagine, is a family. But usually it's more than just two adults. It's the mom and dad and maybe the uncle or a friend, because renting gives people an opportunity to invite other friends or family that they might not otherwise.

Advice

- **DO: Ask questions beforehand.** "We had one guest who showed up at a vacation rental and brought all of their sheets and towels, and they were floored to learn that the house already had linens. I think a lot of it is doing your research and making sure that you find out what amenities there are, too."
- **DON'T: Obsess about work.** "I always remind guests that there is so much to do and see that they should avoid bringing too much work with them. In my experience, staying at a rental means it becomes your home away from home — many of our guests feel the same way.

What makes renting a house different from staying in a hotel?
I'm a perfect example of it, actually. [My family] rents vacation houses when we travel, and it's funny how over the years different members of the family invited friends who we never would have thought of inviting if we were going to stay in a hotel. It's like, even though we're good friends, I'm not going to invite you to stay in a hotel with me — but it's different when it is a house. Plus, if you invite your friend along, the cost splits amongst a lot of people and makes it a good value.

Sites like VRBO, Airbnb and HomeAway make it easy to rent houses. What makes your company different?
One of the bigger differences between the professionally managed properties versus houses managed by owners is that a lot of the owners don't have the sophistication of software to make sure that double-bookings and other problems don't happen. We came up with a "renter's bill of rights" that we could stand behind as a company. It is a service pledge that promises high standards of customer service, real-time booking, accurate property portrayals and diverse properties with clean, regularly inspected units.

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Remix his style

Oliver Cheshire, in London, looks sharp in a fitted blue suit. / MICHELLE BOBB-PARRIS

Want to look like this dapper guy on the left? We break down his runway-ready style from the razor-sharp summer suit to his sockless loafers. Chiseled jaw not included. **RICHARD PECKETT**

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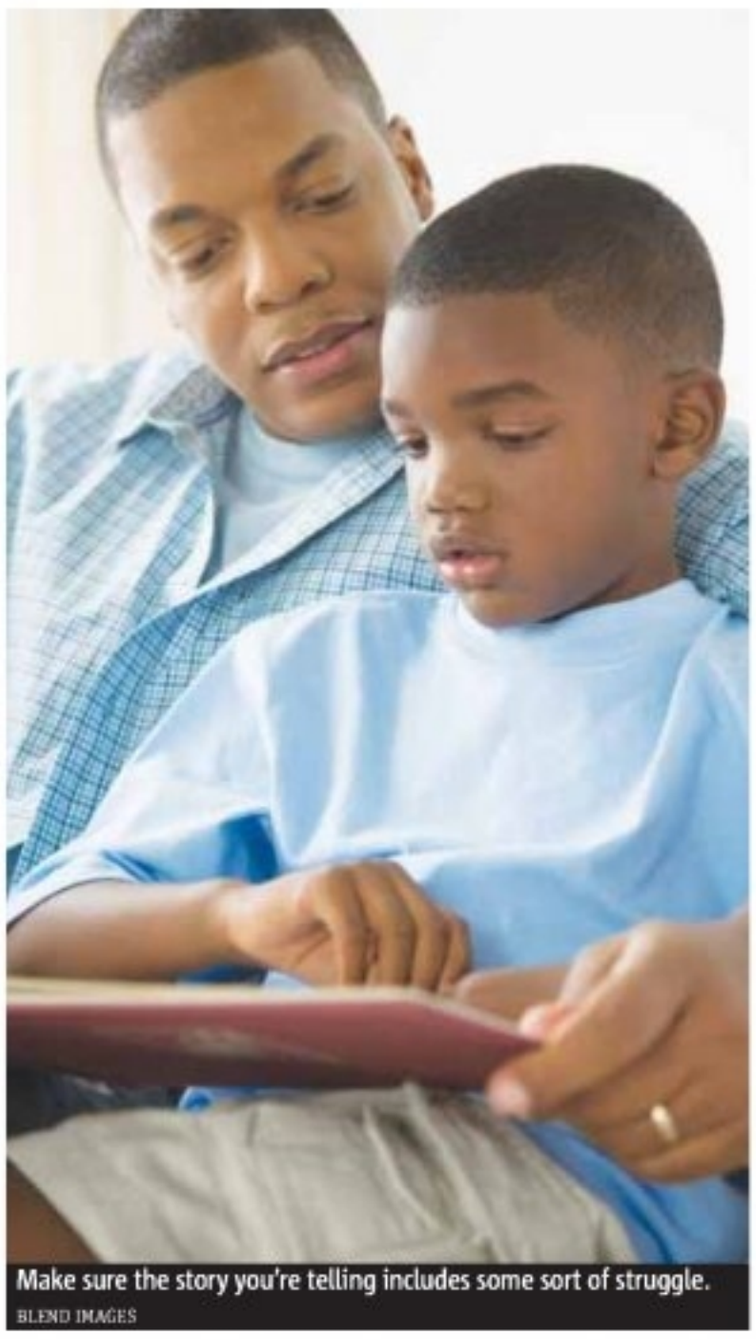


Make sure the story you're telling includes some sort of struggle.

BLEND IMAGES

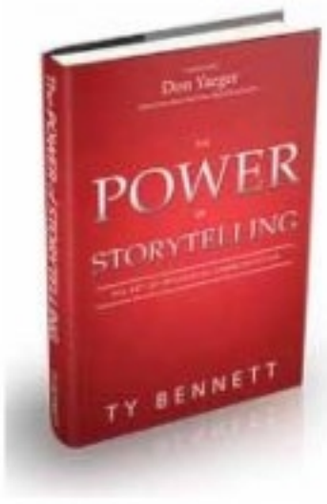
Storytelling. Here's how to improve your nightly ritual.

Don't tell lies like the boy who cried wolf — and don't worry about being last, because the tortoise and the hare proved that slow and steady wins the race.

We all remember these lessons from childhood tales, but how do we make our own stories memorable to children?

That is where Ty Bennett's new book, "The Power of Storytelling: The Art of Influential Communication" comes in.

Stories can be used in various ways as an influential form of communication, whether they are serving as a lesson or an anecdote to a future employer.



Get the storytelling strategy down pat in order to make your words memorable enough for others — like your kids, years down the line — to retell.

Craft a conflict and solution

While telling a bedtime story to his 2-year-old, Bennett adopted the "struggle to solution" technique after the response of his child saying, "That's not a story, there's no bad guy."

"There's something about conflict and challenge that engages us emotionally," Bennett says. "The struggle is the hook of the story."

So once you have successfully hooked your listener, you have acquired the power to provide them with a solution that can serve as a story worth remembering.

"If you connect with the problem," Bennett says, "and the person who is hearing the story resonates that, then they're going to want to adopt that [solution] into their life."

Make it into a conversation

"With kids, you need to engage them, so you need to ask a lot of questions and make it conversational," Bennett says. "It really helps them to get into the story … so they really feel and understand [it]."

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Lessons serve kids and adults

Maybe you aren't looking to tell stories to kids, but that doesn't make this skill any less useful. According to Bennett, storytelling is the most influential form of communication.

"Regardless of what you do for a living," says Bennett, "you're going to need to communicate with people, and the more influential you become, the better that communication becomes, the more influence and impact you can have on people's lives."

So maybe in your next job interview, you will tell a remarkably memorable story that will make you relatable and stand out, or maybe you will teach your kids to just say no to the negativity around them through an experience you went through.

But whatever it is, make sure you've used your newfound storytelling skills to make the story a relatable, memorable and powerful experience.

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♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. A new endeavor could turn out to have much more potential than even you thought.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. You happen to be in an excellent achievement cycle, so the last thing you should be worrying about is getting things done.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. There are strong indications that you might form a new alliance with someone whose interests and ideas merge especially well with yours. This will be a propitious pairing.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Instead of just thinking about making some changes that you believe could be advantageous, go ahead and make them.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. If you're in need of a special favor, go to a friend instead of a coworker. The former is likely to help; the latter might resent it.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. Impressive strides can be made where your work-related objectives are concerned. However, this will only happen if you elevate your sights.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. You should be effective when reorganizing things that require a special touch. You'll know what needs fixing.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Although you might have to scout around, there are strong chances that you will arrange something that could produce higher wages.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Don't treat your new ideas lightly or put them on the back burner. They're likely to work better at this particular time.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Usually, it isn't smart to depend too heavily on a hunch, especially when it involves your work, yet today could be an exception.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. There is good justification for optimism with work. It's one of those days when you can achieve anything.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. If you're working on something that you believe has social and commercial potential, do your best to bring many people into the process. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Letters

US should cast a wider net of castigation

Re: 'Senator: Putin acting like "schoolyard bully"' (Metro, Aug. 5) If we're going to stand up to bullies like Putin, where is the indignation against its high-profile authoritarian neighbor China? Here's a country whose rulers censor the Internet, jail a journalist for predicting Tiananmen Square-anniversary unrest, mandate abortions beyond one child per family and persecute practitioners of the Buddhist-based spiritual discipline Falun Gong. Let's start applying the same standards to bullies worldwide.
STEVEN KALKA, VIA EMAIL

Think of his good deeds

Re: 'Don't let one bad spot spoil the whole fruit' (Metro, Aug. 5) I'm glad that letter writer Barbara Mikulski recognizes that Eliot Spitzer should be forgiven. However, I wish that she would be equally tolerant toward Anthony Weiner. When he was in Congress, he was very good to the senior citizens in his district. And, when the New York Press published an article that joked about Pope John Paul II's death, Mr. Weiner was the first politician to condemn it.
JOHN FRANCIS FOX, VIA EMAIL

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15 Bowie's last stand
16 In a frenzy
17 B.C. or N.B.
18 Started over
19 Not at all wild
20 Spinach lover
22 Held by a third party (2 wds.)
24 Fight locale
25 Bread, so to speak
26 Calcutta nanny
28 Ms. Witherspoon
32 Clothing
35 Library abbr.
37 Bubbled
38 Si, to Maurice
39 Helena rival
41 Sleazy newspaper
42 Cream puff
45 Two-base hit (abbr.)
46 Markdown
47 Wrap
48 Spouted, as a whale
50 Conger catchers
54 Memory joggers
58 Coercion
61 Swami, e.g.
62 Kind of insurance
63 Port near Hong Kong
65 Jekyll's alter ego
66 — dunk
67 Choir selection
68 Zest for life
69 Chapeau's place
70 Old photo color
71 Edit out

Down

1 Frat letter
2 Typo
3 Run to wed
4 Nine-day devotions
5 Cabby's take
6 Pamplona shout
7 AM/FM device
8 Acid in proteins
9 Matterhorn echo
10 — Trace (frontier trail)
11 Rubaiyat author
12 Thank you, in Kyoto
13 Distort
21 Sweet potato
23 Rani's wear
25 Electrical units
27 Say decidedly
29 Pound or Cornell
30 It has flippers
31 Slight advantage
32 Sandals' lack
33 "Ow!"
34 — monster
36 Inc. cousin
37 Toppled over
40 Flows back
43 Beyond rad
44 Seine aits
46 Rustled
49 A Miss America host
51 Pieces of sugar
52 Get the lead out?
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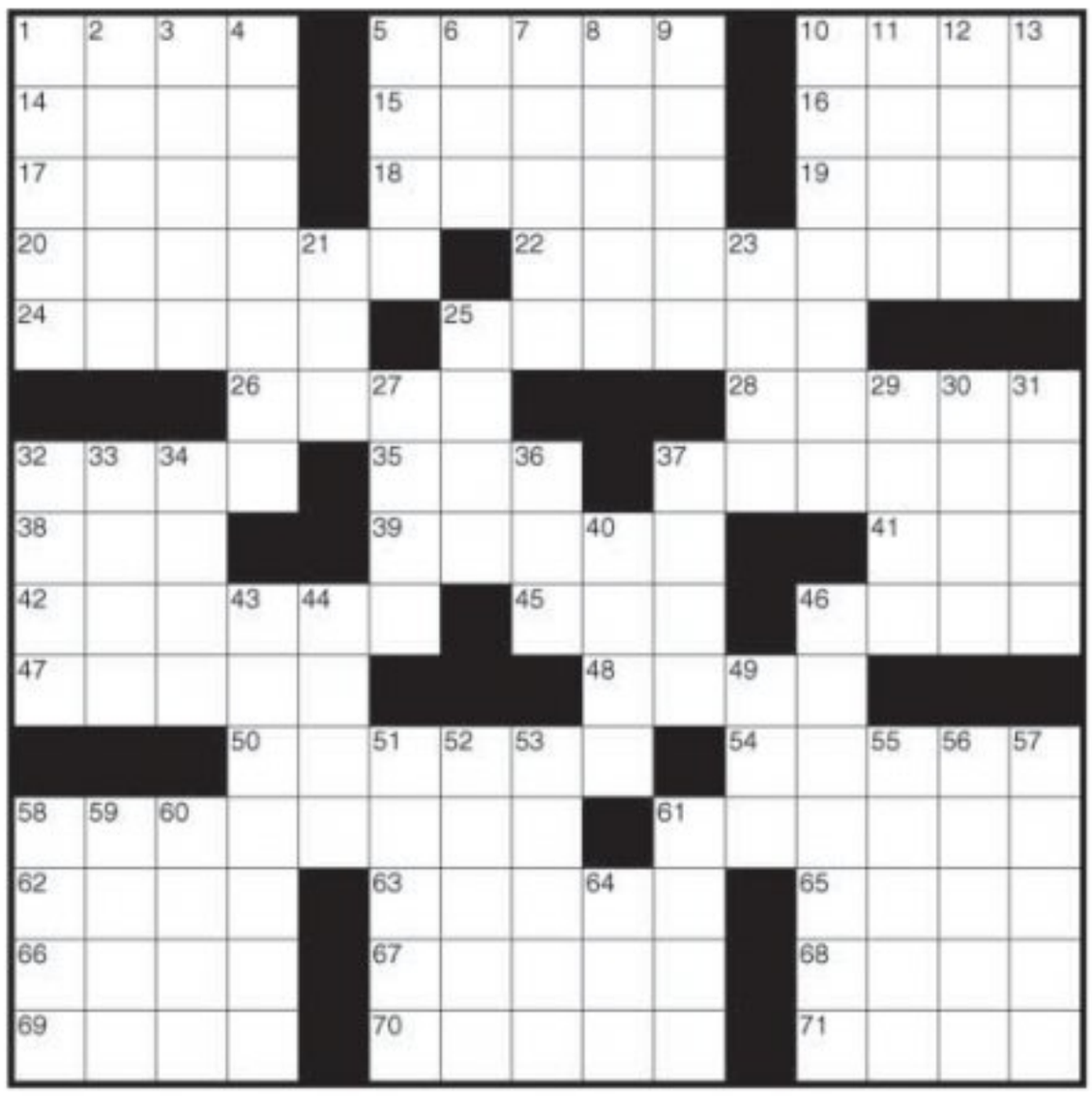

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Phillies speak up

The Phillies put out a statement yesterday in the wake of Antonio Bastardo's 50-game suspension for using PEDs. "Obviously, the Phillies are very disappointed to learn of Antonio Bastardo's violation of Major League Baseball's Drug Program," team president Dave Montgomery said. "We strongly believe in the Program and look forward to a time when performance enhancing drugs are completely out of baseball."

SOME MIGHT FORGIVE, NO ONE WILL FORGET

There is no excuse, and there is no escape. Those were the two lessons provided by Riley Cooper after he got caught using the most destructive word in the English language. Cooper will never be just a football player, because that word demands that there be no mercy.

Cooper is on a leave of absence from the Eagles in the hope that counseling will reveal why he acted so outrageously during a Kenny Chesney concert in June. Theoretically, he is trying to understand better why he drunkenly threatened to "fight every N-word" after an altercation with security; an ugly rant captured on tape was made public last week.

The reaction was as dramatic and emotional as any I have encountered in nearly a quarter-century on Philadelphia radio, offering an insight into race relations that we all should have absorbed many years ago. As someone who grew up in the 1950s and '60s, I should have already known the true power of that word, but, until last week, I really didn't.

By the time I had arrived at the station Thursday morning, half a day after Cooper's remark became public, I had already decided that one word doesn't make someone a racist, and I naively argued in the opening minutes of the show that if Cooper's teammates never saw him that way, why should one moment change everything?

Then my co-host, Hollis Thomas, shattered my white-picket-fence reality. Thomas, an African-American, said the truth about people only really emerges when their guards are down — in Cooper's case, because of a lethal mix of alcohol and anger.

"If that word isn't already inside that person," he said, "there's no reason for it ever to come out."

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ANGELO CATALDI

Riley Cooper should be released after using the most destructive word in the English language. / GETTY IMAGES

Cataldi on Cooper

"There will never be an excuse for using that word, and there should never be an escape from the harsh repercussions when someone does."

Thomas has had to deal with racism his whole life, but he's only 40. He didn't experience it as vividly as Beasley Reece, the 59-year-old sports director at CBS 3. Reece said he was called that word often when growing up in Waco, Texas, and he believes using it today is an "act of terrorism."

Reece angrily recalled a history of slavery, lynch mobs and segregation all associated with the use of that dehumanizing term. When he saw the tape, Reece said, "It was 1845 all over again," because Cooper used it in its most damaging form, as a threat.

Both Thomas and Reece said they would forgive Cooper for the comment, but never forget. After all that I experienced last week, I cannot react so kindly.

I think the Eagles should release Riley Cooper, just as chef Paula Deen's TV empire crumbled and as actor Michael Richards (Kramer on "Seinfeld") imploded after they unmasked themselves.

There will never be an excuse for using that word, and there should never be an escape from the harsh repercussions when someone does.

Obviously, we still need to be reminded of those truths.

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Bastardo shows total arrogance

After two years, the mystery of Antonio Bastardo's amazing 2011 season has been solved. He was cheating.

At least that appears to be the only logical explanation for why he allowed 28 hits in 58 innings, with an astonishing 81 strikeouts. It was one magical season, courtesy of Biogenesis Inc.

Bastardo will pay the price for using performance-enhancing drugs with a 50-game ban, one of 13 ballplayers implicated yesterday in the latest chapter of an endless story. His name had never been mentioned as a suspect, though those 2011 stats screamed for a logical explanation.

The big story is the new king of the steroid villains, Alex Rodriguez, who was suspended for 211 games for cheating and then sabotaging a subsequent investigation. Because he has no shame, Rodriguez is going to appeal, dragging his sport through months, if not years, of legal wrangling in a futile effort to hide his indefensible behavior.

If anything, Major League Baseball and the Yankees should be suing Rodriguez for contributing to an era of distrust unlike any in sports history. Even after Barry Bonds was drummed out of the game amid rumors of cheating, A-Rod was still plotting new ways to gain an illegal advantage.

He is incorrigible. He is a disgrace to baseball. He deserved what he got, if not a lifetime ban.

Now Bastardo can take his place next to A-Rod and the rest of the cheaters. They have all displayed the worst kind of arrogance — the kind that endangers the very game that made them rich and famous. **ANGELO CATALDI**

Idle thoughts

Other items irritating Cataldi this week:

- Jonathan Papelbon is making enemies very quickly. His six blown saves already qualify as a bad season, and he's still got two months to go. Secondly, his whining about the state of the team is absurd. Hasn't he figured out yet that he's one of the causes of all this losing?

Bastardo is a cheater.
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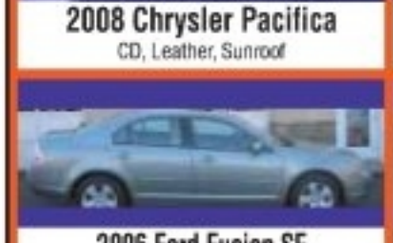
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Amaro foolishly thinks the 2013 Phillies can still win.
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Opinion. Phils erred by not selling before the trade deadline

Ruben Amaro has made many mistakes in his four years as Phillies GM, but never has his clueless arrogance been more apparent than in the final hours before the trade deadline. Amaro refused to make moves to help the team because he remains convinced that the 2013 club is good.

I know, I know. How could any logical person look at this dreadful ball club and see something other than the loser it is? I asked that question to Amaro last week during an animated, sometimes contentious exchange. His defense was that there was no logical offer to accept before the trade deadline at 4 p.m. July 31.

Ace reporter Jon Heyman had sources inside the Yankees organization who begged to differ. In the final hour, Heyman said the Yankees offered $5 million and prospect Tommy Kahnle for Michael Young. When the Yanks inquired about soon-to-be free agent Carlos Ruiz, they were told he wasn't available.

We can argue all day about what is and isn't a good offer, but what there is no debate about is that Young and Ruiz are useless to the Phillies. Now that Cody Asche is starting at third, Young won't even have a position when Ryan Howard comes back. Erik Kratz and prospect Tommy Joseph will be the catching tandem next season.

Amaro didn't make any moves because he believes the 2013 Phillies are victims of circumstance — namely, injuries — and not his own poor planning. Of course, we all know better. The Phillies cannot begin building toward a better future until the GM stops living in the past.

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Idle thoughts

Here's a positive item Cataldi noticed:

- Darren Daulton is proving all over again what a noble leader he was back in 1993. His appearance at the Phillies' alumni festivities last weekend was an inspiration to his teammates and fans. In his battle with brain cancer, Dutch will not go quietly — that's for sure.

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Eagles release first depth chart, no QB

NFL. Chip Kelly still hadn't named a quarterback as details emerged about who may start Friday night.

The Eagles finally have a depth chart, and it might surprise quite a few fans who have watched the team practice.

First, there is no starting quarterback named. Under the first-team offense, the chart lists "Michael Vick/Nick Foles." Matt Barkley is with the second string.

At yesterday's practice, Vick got the first shot with the ones and immediately led a five-play scoring drive. Foles didn't look bad, either. He hit DeSean Jackson on a touchdown in the back of the end zone.

Interestingly, excused receiver Riley Cooper is still listed as the starting wideout opposite Jackson. Damaris Johnson has been getting the first-team reps since Cooper took his leave of absence last week.

Brent Celek and James Casey are listed as the starting tight ends, as

Will Foles start? / GETTY IMAGES

the Eagles will go without a fullback. LeSean McCoy is the tailback. The starting offensive line features Jason Peters (LT), Evan Mathis (LG), Jason Kelce (C), Todd Herremans (RG) and Lane Johnson (RT).

The defense is a 3-4 base, with Cedric Thornton and Fletcher Cox anchoring the ends. Isaac Sopoaga is the nose tackle. The first-team linebackers are Connor Barwin, DeMeco Ryans, Mychal Kendricks and Trent Cole.

Bradley Fletcher and Cary Williams are the starting cornerbacks, while Nate Allen and Patrick Chung get the nods at the safety positions.

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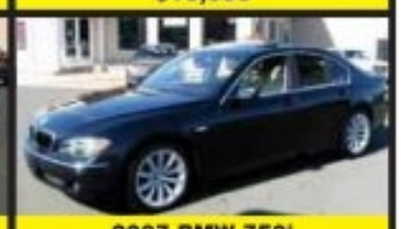

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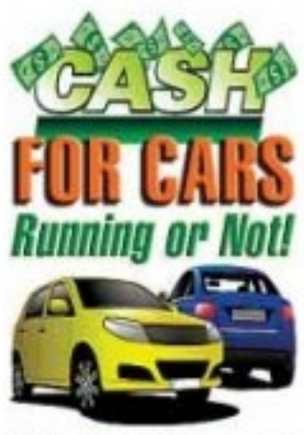

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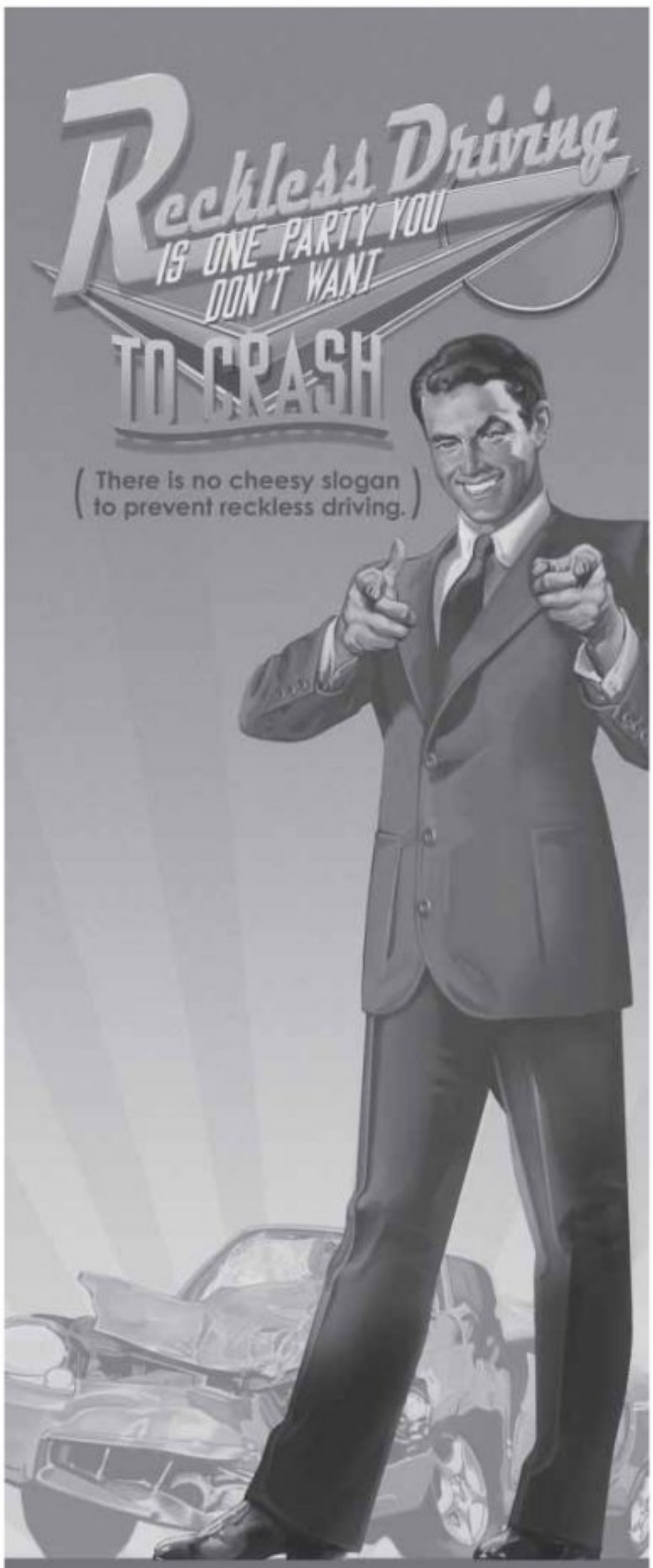

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